UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

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Plaintiff, *

Criminal Action No. 04-10074-JLT

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PHILIP HYDE, *

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Defendant,

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and *

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BICKNELL & SMITH *

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Garnishee. *

ORDER

November 2, 2005

TAURO, J.

In response to the Bankruptcy Court's opinion dated September 26, 2005, this Court holds that:

- 1. The postpetition restitution order entered as part of Debtor's sentence following a criminal conviction for mail fraud creates an entirely new obligation owed to the United States unaffected by the Debtor's homestead exemption and 11 U.S.C. § 522(c); and
- 2. The United States may enforce the restitution order by garnishing the proceeds from the sale of the Debtor's residence.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Joseph L. Tauro
United States District Judge